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Date: December 4, 2003

Docket No.: 1599-0254P

MS PATENT APPLICATION
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a Request for filing a continuation divisional
 continuation-in-part application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) of
pending prior Application No. 09/865,483 filed on May 29, 2001,
the entire contents of which are hereby incorporated by
reference,
by

Jong Wook LEE; In Young KO; Heui Keun KANG; Jung Hyun NAM;
Moo Young SONG; Hyung Jin MOON; and Tae Hun SONG

for

A VARIABLE REGION OF THE MONOCLONAL ANTIBODY AGAINST THE HBV S-
SURFACE ANTIGEN AND A GENE ENCODING THE SAME

1. Enclosed is an application consisting of specification,
claims, declaration and drawings/photographs (if
applicable).

2. The filing fee has been calculated as follows:

| | | LARGE ENTITY | | SMALL ENTITY | | |
|--|--------------|--------------|------------|-----------------|------------|---------------|
| BASIC FEE | | \$770.00 | | \$385.00 | | |
| | NUMBER FILED | NUMBER EXTRA | RATE | Fee | RATE | Fee |
| TOTAL CLAIMS | 5-20 = | 0 | x 18 = | \$0.00 | x 9 = | \$0.00 |
| INDEPENDENT CLAIMS | 2-3 = | 0 | x 86 = | \$0.00 | x 43 = | \$0.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS PRESENTED | | | + \$290.00 | | + \$145.00 | |
| | | TOTAL | | \$770.00 | | \$0.00 |

3. A check in the amount of \$770.00 to cover the filing fee and recording fee (if applicable) is enclosed.

4. Please charge Deposit Account No. 02-2448 in the amount of \$0.00. A triplicate copy of this request is enclosed.

5. Enclosed is/are _____ (____) sheet(s) of formal drawings and/or photographs.

6a. A statement claiming small entity status was filed in prior Application No. 09/865,483 on _____. See the attached copy of the statement claiming small entity status.

6b. The current application qualifies for small entity status.

7. The prior application is assigned to YUHAN CORPORATION _____.

8. A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed.

9a. Priority of Application No(s). 2000-28938 filed in Korea on May 29, 2000 is/are claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119. See attached copy of the Letter claiming priority filed in the prior application on May 29, 2001.

9b. Priority of International Appln. _____ filed on _____ under the Patent Cooperation Treaty and _____

Application No. _____ filed in _____ on _____ under 35 U.S.C. § 120 and/or § 119 are hereby reclaimed.

10. An Information Disclosure Statement and PTO-1449 form(s) are attached hereto for the Examiner's consideration.

11. Address all future communications to:

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12. An extension of time for _____ () month(s) until _____ has been submitted in parent Application No. 09/865,483 in order to establish co-pendency with the present application.

13. Also enclosed herewith is the following:

A copy of Sequence Listing

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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Attachment(s)

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Applicant: Jong Wook LEE et al. Conf.:
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Sir:

It has come to the attention of Applicants' Representative that the filed Letter submitting a certified copy of foreign priority document No. KR 2000-28938 (filed in Korea on May 29, 2000) for US priority application No. 09/865,483 filed on May 29, 2001 had an error. A copy of the Letter and a copy of the first page of the priority document are attached hereto. The country that the foreign priority document KR 2000-28938 was filed should be Korea, not Japan.

It is noted that the Official Filing Receipt shows KOREA as the country of foreign priority document. A copy of the Official Filing Receipt is attached for the Examiner's convenience.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

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Attachments: Letter filed May 29, 2001 with a first page of the priority document KR 2000-28938

Copy of the Official Filing Receipt for US Priority Application No. 09/865,483